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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111(C)

Sir:

In response to the Office action dated September 28, 2005, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire December 28, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Abstract begin on Page 8 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on Page 9 of this paper.